

Utah Storm Water Advisory Committee - MINUTES

August 11, 2010 10:30am Multi Agency State Office Building, 3rd Floor, Red Rocks Room

- Welcome and Introductions
 - Approval of Minutes for June 9, 2010:
 - Motion: George Burbidge Second: Todd Christensen
- Coalition Updates
 - Salt Lake – Julie Howe and Dan Drumiler: Hosed a watershed symposium; gearing up for Annual Report; flooding damage did not qualify for FEMA money; now looking at damage from oil spill; developing new stormwater TV commercial
 - Davis – Ashley Thoman: Now looking at new permit and work together to meet new requirements and deadlines
 - Weber - Wayne Crowther: Educational and Environmental projects; discussed and finished many SOPs; working on annual control measures and a program for educating public officials in stormwater
 - Cache – Derek Kimball: Putting together SOPs, universal ordinance, and looking at the new MS4 permit; Cache county should be looking at TMDL issue
 - Utah - Juan Garrido: Made 2 more sub-committees one for IDan DrumilerEs and construction; the education sub-committee purchased videos; another committee is working on an ordinance; now getting ready for annual report; had post-construction training attended by 36 people; RSI training coming this fall
 - Washington City Ross Romero: Identifying ponds; working on SOP; rough draft on Notice of Intent for Washington City's small building lots
 - Santa Clara City; - Fred Fage: Reviewing SWMP and making changes; writing SOPs to meet permit requirements
 - Ivins City – going through new permit; preparing and updating SOPs; reviewing SWMP
 - St George – Trying to catch up with recent personnel change
- Sub-Committee Updates
 - Common Plan of Development – Harry Campbell
 - The common plan has been reviewed and is good and thorough, but Harry Campbell would like to see a sample inspection form for contractors and developers to use to do their own inspections that includes all nine items that need to be included. Juan Garrido has a form prepared that could be included
 - The common plan could be placed on the state's website, but would need to be more general than would be normally applied for each municipality
 - There will be some cases such as where a TMDL is on the receiving water which would necessitate other customizations
 - Each municipality will need to decide if they want to use it
 - RSI Program - Trace Robinson
 - There are now three exams that will be rotated
 - Next RSI training will be in October; there is a tentative plan to hold one at the storm water and flood plain managers conference
 - Some questions have been modified for clarity
 - Perhaps a sample Common Plan of Development SWPPP could be included in the RSI training
 - The final inspection form is nearly ready, yet there may still be some typos. Those final changes need to be made before including the inspection form in the RSI manual, and printing more manuals.
 - Up to 100 people can be accommodated at the EXPO RSI training.

- APWA Fall Conference/Stormwater Expo - Trace Robinson
 - Tentative Presentations and Booths – handouts available, some of the handouts have storm water class offerings on the back
 - Certifications Available: RSI and CESSWI
 - Outreach Efforts
 - Sponsorship of Contractors: Riverton is sponsoring some contractors to go to the training, and is encouraging others to do the same. Others should at least be invited.
 - There will be many vendors and classes; it will be a large conference; It is expected to get larger each year; space is available for many vendors and large equipment
 - A lot of advertizing is going on, including radio advertizing
 - It will be less expensive to join APWA and register than just to register as a non-member; it is a relatively cheap conference
 - Dennis Oakley would like some flyers that could be handed out in Southeast Utah
 - Steve Johnson will email the flyers out to everyone on the USWAC email list
- State Updates
 - MS4 – Rhonda Thiele
 - Final Draft of Permit Effective August 1st
 - Nothing changes with the annual reports, use the same form as was used last year;
 - It is important that the Stormwater Management Programs (SWMP) are kept updated. The new permit gives four months to update the SWMP to apply to the current permit, and send it in to Rhonda Thiele at the state, and to post it on your website if you have one
 - Certification Statements – it needs to be part of annual reports and SWMPs
 - Other people in other positions may be authorized by a CEO or ranked elected official to certify reports and submittals; the authorization must be on file with the State
 - The final draft has been adopted and has been adopted
 - Annual Reports will cover the period from July 1 through June 30
 - Construction - Harry Campbell
 - Stabilization – not much progress has been made on this;
 - Paul Taylor was at StormCON where it was announced that the EPA will issue guidelines in the fall of 2010
 - Using Polymer coagulants on construction sites: the state is not prepared to answer whether this will be ok in Utah because although it helps very fine sediment removal, it may have some negative impacts to the receiving water aquatic life
 - Stormwater database update – contract has not been signed off on, but expect it to be done shortly; it will help construction and industrial databases; other enhancements will be possible in the future
 - Contractors will be able to update information on their permits
 - Municipalities will be able to get reports on Notice of Intents and Notice of Terminations
 - State will need to get an email address from municipalities to send permits; an email address that is not tied to an individual is preferred
 - It is hoped that in 3-6 months it will be up and running
 - MS4s would like for Notice of Termination to not be issued until there is a final inspection form with it. Harry Campbell said he'd start rejecting the Notice of Termination applications that do not have a final inspection signed by the MS4 with it, and will plan to change the Notice of Termination form

- Industrial Permit Letter-Mike George
 - The letter is ready to go, and can be issued at any time, but would like to wait until the database is ready so that there is not overwhelming paperwork in response to the letter.
- TMDL Director – Carl Adams
 - The TMDL section is now known as the Watershed Protection Section
 - Feel free to contact him with any questions (business cards were handed out)
 - Approximately 10-12 TMDLs are now in process in Utah
 - The Jordan River TMDL is slated for completion for spring of 2011 (they've been working on it for about 5 years now)
 - The Utah Lake TMDL is on hold as more study is being done due to its unique ecosystem
 - Harry Campbell added that for construction stormwater practices, if there are TMDL issues for suspended solids and nutrients, they must be addressed
- Other Business
 - Mike Herkimer has taken another position as a lateral transfer within Division of Water Quality; he will help the new person, whoever it may be, to get up to speed
 - Report from anyone attending StormCON
 - Paul Taylor learned that ELGs will not apply to Common Plan of Developments. Natl. Research council report is driving stormwater program and is being heavily leaned upon by EPA
 - Paul Taylor's report on what experts believe:
 - management of stormwater programs will move to a watershed level
 - there will be a rise in numeric standards; will be emphasis on mimicking pre-development hydrology
 - there is a sense of urgency nationwide
 - it is going to get more expensive as regulations tighten up
 - one city's stormwater utility has been voted down as taxpayers wanted less "taxes"
 - there is a big push to get away from peak flows, and go to volume-based design
 - Discussion on construction sites that are not within MS4s that want to final Notice of Termination: the state has not determined how those should be handled and is open for ideas
- Next USWAC meeting: September 8, 2010, 10:30am, Multi Agency State Office Building, 3rd Floor, Red Rocks Room (same location)